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The Patricia Hilliard Robertson Center for Aviation Medicine at Indiana Regional Medical Center is pleased to announce its nomination for the 2012 Avionics Magazine's *Women in Technology Corporate Award*. The award showcases extraordinary companies that promote innovative women in technology through training, education, career development and mentoring.

Dr. Robertson served as an inspirational role model for women, and the Center for Aviation Medicine is pleased to continue her dream by inspiring the next generation of women to pursue careers in both the aviation and aerospace industries, and in healthcare. The Center for Aviation Medicine provides women access to its flight physical and flight academy programs, granting clearance to and promoting their role as proficient aviators. The Center also provides clinical education opportunities for women exploring or pursuing roles in the field of aviation and aerospace medicine.

The Center for Aviation Medicine is named in honor of Homer City native, Patricia Hilliard Robertson, M.D. Dr. Robertson, a graduate of Homer Center High School (1980), and the Indiana University of Pennsylvania (1985), served as a flight instructor and family physician in Erie, Pennsylvania before joining the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) in 1997, where she was later selected to join the astronaut program. She made significant contributions to the areas of aviation and aerospace medicine through clinical practice and research. Dr. Robertson perished on May 24, 2001 from injuries sustained in a plane crash in Manvel, Texas.

The recipient of the Avionics Magazine *Women in Technology Corporate Award* will be honored on June 4, 2012 in Washington, D.C.

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